

## HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 1323

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A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate the members of the East Ridge Middle School Junior Beta Club upon winning first place in the State Junior Beta Club Convention Talent Competition.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should salute those young citizens who, through their extraordinary efforts, have distinguished themselves as emerging community leaders of whom we can all be proud; and

WHEREAS, the members of the East Ridge Middle School Junior Beta Club are such noteworthy persons; they recently won first place in the State Junior Beta Club Convention Talent Competition; and

WHEREAS, adhering to a regimen of regular practice, these students committed many early morning and weekend hours to perfecting their dance and rap routine; through unswerving diligence, dedication, and hard work, the students maximized their considerable talents; and

WHEREAS, at the State Junior Beta Club Convention Talent Competition, which was held the week of Thanksgiving in Nashville, the group first competed in a preliminary contest to win a berth in the official competition; and

WHEREAS, performing before a crowd of 7,000, the members of the East Ridge Middle School Junior Beta Club uniformly awed the audience with their style, rhythm, and grace to earn first place honors in the Talent Competition; they will now compete at the National Junior Beta Club Convention in June at Myrtle Beach, South Carolina; and

WHEREAS, the extremely gifted members of the East Ridge Middle School Junior Beta Club dance and rap group are: Ryan Atkins, Jessica Barbee, Amy Black, Mallory Black, Rachel Broyles, Allison Carpenter, Nikki Carroll, Leah Decker, Madison Denton, Drew Elliott, Katie Gilliam, Weston Gilliam, Jake Greene, Jade Hale, Emmy Harrell, Madison Heidel, Brandon Helton, Jon Helton, Emilie Hensley, Rebecca Hillon, Lindsey Hodges, Miranda Johns, Jonee

Johnson, lance Kenney, Kara King, Mary Kate Kinsler, Katelyn Lane, Ryan Lynch, Kaitlyn Morrow, Kenzi Mullins, Clark Newsom, Hoyt Newsom, Beth Ann Noble, Logan Overbay, Cody Ricker, Logan Ricker, Ashli Rogers, JonMichael Samsel, Matt Seals, Brianna Sizemore, Lindsey Talley, Jennifer Thayer, Michael Thayer, Katherine Thompson, Randy Thompson, Lindsey Tipton, Logan Wallace, Lindsey Wells, Tanner Williams, and Brittany Wilson; and

WHEREAS, these exemplary students were led by Beta Club Sponsors Dawn Rogers and Maryann Williams and Choreographers Jana Samsel and Drudy Surber; and

WHEREAS, the perseverance, determination, work ethic, and talent of this group of students not only made possible a championship performance at the State Junior Beta Club Convention Talent Competition, but also surely bode well for their success in every future endeavor; and

WHEREAS, this General Assembly finds it appropriate to pause in its deliberations to acknowledge and applaud the members of the East Ridge Middle School Junior Beta Club for their unswerving dedication to excellence; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we hereby honor and congratulate the members of the East Ridge Middle School Junior Beta Club upon their first place finish in the State Junior Beta Club Convention Talent Competition, as we wish them the best of luck when they compete at the National Junior Beta Club Convention in June.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.